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AWSAM COMMITTEE Minutes
(Approved October 14, 2014)

The AWSAM Committee held a meeting on September 16, 2014 at 3:30 P.M. in Conference Room A, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Blvd, Dover, Delaware.

PRESENT: Pam Tyranski, Mary Peterson, Sandra Robinson, Ann Blackmore, Alicia Kluger, Maxine Travis, Vickie Cox, Agnes Richardson, Yrene Waldron

ABSENT: Sarah Carmody, Linda Wolfe

GUESTS: Meg Tallman; Tara Pezzuto, APN

PRESIDING: Pam Tyranski

STAFF: Pamela Zickafoose, Executive Director, Delaware Board of Nursing

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. Tyranski called the meeting to order at 3:36 pm. Members of the committee introduced themselves to the public.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: Minutes from July 15, 2014 were reviewed. Ms. Blackmore made a motion to approve as written, seconded by Ms. Cox. With Dr. Richardson abstaining, the motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Section 5 Regulations BON Approval Update

Ms. Tyranski reported that the Board of Nursing reviewed both the LLAM bill and the regulations and unanimously voted to approve both documents. Dr. Zickafoose added that Mr. Mangler requested all proposed legislation be submitted by November for Department of State approval. Ms. Peterson added that all proposed legislation is also shared with the Governor's office.

Final Review of LLAM Bill and Rules

Ms. Carmody sent an email and suggested adding clarification in 5.4.4 for assessment of medication effectiveness. Members discussed the recommendation and added "and/or effectiveness" in 5.4.3.2. Dr. Zickafoose will make the changes and send to members. No changes were recommended for the LLAM bill. The LLAM bill and rules will be submitted to Mr. Mangler for proposed legislation in January 2015.

Ms. Waldron expressed concern that there might be other entities using AWSAM that we are not aware of at this time, and she cautioned the committee members that drug diversion is going to be an issue that gets raised.

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Talking Points

Members reviewed the first draft of the "Talking Points" and Ms. Robinson stated she liked the fact it is one page. Ms. Carmody's email also questioned if epinephrine should be mentioned and members decided it was not needed because it is already in the curriculum. Glucagon is new to the program. Members of the public were provided a copy of the draft and asked for their input. Ms. Tallman stated the document was brief and to the point and she questioned the legal authority of the adults trusted to care for children. Ms. Tyranski explained the current Board of Nursing statute allows for emergency administration without the fear of charges of practicing without a license. Ms. Tallman suggested clarification in the Talking Points that Glucagon is not self-administered. Members reviewed the document and added language to recognize that some individuals are unable to self-administer. Numerous additional editorial changes were suggested and Dr. Zickafoose will make the corrections and resubmit to the committee for review at the next meeting.

Changes to Policy Manual

Ms. Tyranski stated this was on the agenda to notify the committee members that the changes for disposal of medications had been completed in the policy manual. Dr. Zickafoose will email the core curriculum and policy manual to all members.

Educational Platform

Dr. Zickafoose reported there was no action on this item currently. It will remain on the agenda and Dr. Zickafoose will keep working on it with the Division.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business on the agenda. Ms. Travis questioned whether CPR was required for instructors in the LLAM curriculum and members discussed whether it was needed or not. The LLAM UAP must have CPR but it is not required for the instructor. Members agreed this was appropriate as the instructor is not providing direct patient care nor administering medications and may or may not be on-site in some settings.

Ms. Tyranski stated that legislation passed allowing Athletic Trainers to administer medications.

OTHER BUSINESS before the committee (for discussion only): Members discussed asking Ms. Showalter from the Medicaid Fraud and Drug Diversion unit to attend the next meeting to discuss and clarify any potential issues with the proposed legislation. Dr. Zickafoose will reach out to her and invite her to the October meeting. Dr. Zickafoose stated she was presenting the DPHMP at a conference in October. Members asked that the brochure be emailed to them for the Matters of the Mind conference at Polytech on October 23rd. Ms. Robinson stated that Hydrocodone is now a Schedule 2 drug.

PUBLIC COMMENT- Ms. Tallman thanked the committee for including her in their discussion and stated she and the diabetic community appreciated all the committee is doing to open doors for diabetic students. She stated she was there to help assure this legislation gets passed and comes to fruition. She has about 50 people networked on Facebook and a petition was already signed to

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support glucagon. She asked how she could help and committee members responded she could testify at hearings and also contact legislators when the bill is introduced and has a number. Ms. Tyranski reminded her that the proposed legislation must go through the Division of Professional Regulation process prior to being introduced. The committee will keep her informed of their progress.

Ms. Tallman added there were many educational tools available for teaching Glucagon injections such as u-tube videos and a mobile app that is very easy to learn from.

NEXT MEETING- October 14, 2014 at 3:30 PM Conference Room A, Cannon Building. Agenda items were discussed for the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT- The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Handwritten signature of Pamela C. Zickafoose in black ink.

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